

Rep. Brandtjen: Tone deaf Gov. Evers vetoes bill to keep our cities safe

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Madison – State Representative Janel Brandtjen (R- Menomonee Falls) issued the following statement regarding the Governor’s veto of the bill requiring at least one retired police officer or firefighter to be included on the Madison and Milwaukee Police & Fire Commissions, providing more expertise and keeping our cities safe:

“AB114/SB117 passed the Legislature with bi-partisan support and requires at least one member of the Milwaukee Fire and Police Commission to be an experienced retired officer or firefighter. This veto shows just how dangerous Governor Evers has become. As crime soars in Milwaukee and Madison, Governor Evers doesn’t believe that even our first responders deserve a voice. Why would anyone want to take on such dangerous work without being allowed a fair hearing process? Evers’ thoughtless veto sends a chilling message to all new recruits. He won’t defend the first responders who risk their lives to keep Milwaukee and Madison safe. As municipalities struggle to find officers, Evers’ veto will hurt neighborhoods that spiral with increasing crime and reduced security.”